Partly cloudy to-day; to-morrow cloudy and colder; fresh west and northwest winds

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Will Keep Army but Halve It, Says Briand; Eight Powers Join in Covenant to Aid China

Faces Probe

Directors Must Explain '18, '19 Dividends When There Were No Earn-Say Examiners

"L" Deal Involved

Up Properly, Is Belief Court's Stock

voted dividends for a period during which, it is alleged, the company had U.S.\$40,000,000 | masterly exposition on the part of the delegations of Great Britain, Italy and be reinstated in the family of self-governing nations through the co-oper-confronted by a vengeful Germany and amination by the Transit Commission as to the motives for their action and Rockefeller, Harkness and tary of State. on other important phases of the investigation bearing on the solvency of

The decision of the commission to get to the roots of the traction muddle by questioning officials in high responibility came late yesterday at the close of a hearing which revealed several the transit company, including the

900-Year Pact Bared

dore P. Shouts as chairman of the executive committee; August Belmont,
thairman of the board, and General
Cornelius Vanderbilt. Mr. Berwind is
due home from Europe to-morrow and
General Vanderbilt is abroad. The
commission is expected to take up this
extended stage of the inquiry soon
after the arrival of Mr. Berwind.

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Other directors who will be summoned to testify regarding the state of facts on which the board declared the dividends in question are Morgan J. O'Brien, since resigned; Horace M. Fisher, secretary of the board; Daniel G. Reid, W. L. Pepperman, F. de C. Sullivan and Thomas De Witt Cuyler. The announcement by the commission was the climax of an all-day quiz of Edward F. J. Gaynor, veteran auditor of the Interborough, who last Thursday was admonished by the commission (Continued on page nine)

(Continued on page nine) Women Thank Hughes In Document Mile Long

199,531 Signatures, Represent-ing 2,256,684, on Scroll From Temperance Union

I.R. T. Board Moral Pledge Peace Basis, Declares Hill Principles

On Solvency Material Disarmament Alone Is Provocation to Revival of War, He Asserts, Unless Backed Up by Assurances of Great Nations

By David Jayne Hill

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.-Those who listened on November 21 to the eloquent address of the Premier of France in exposition of French policy could not fail to be convinced of the determination of the French people to make for their national security any sacrifices that circumstances may 900-Year Payment demand. Heavy as the burden may be, they are disposed to bear to allow if necessary, in the interest of peace. For the Allied and associated powers in the great war to reproach them for this determination would Books Would Show \$12,- be, as M. Briand affirmed, a cruel act of censure. It would be an inglerious Kato Says Japan Is "Satis- Hughes Reminds Confer-

That no one of the Allied and associated powers will be guilty of such a Tax Ruling Nets reproach is evident from the com-

of mortization of \$5,000,000 amanded in its forty-nine year contract it would now have a deficit of \$12,000,000 instand of a surplus of \$2,242,878.

Flaws in Bookkeeping
That, according to Mr. Shearn, the company's bookkeeping methods were faulty in that various accounts did not abow what the actual cost of operating the city's subways was and that the system of accounting had failed to show whether the actual operation of the subway lines was profitable or asprofitable.

To-day's decision will enable the government's fair and honest statement in its balance sheet the company would have been revealed as a bankrupt.

That the Interborough supplied power to the New York and Queens County Railway Company, much of which was charged against the operation of the city's subways.

Principal of the traction officials whom the commission desires to place on the witness stand to explain the interence of Clurrence J. Shearn, special counsel of the commission, that divideds were paid on assets that should have been listed as liabilities, are E. J. Berwind, who succeeded the tax Theodore P. Shonts as chairman of the executive committee; August Belmont, charman of the board, and General Trust Company and Edith Hale Hark-Interest of the control of the Company and Edith Hale Hark-Interest of the company and the company of the company and company and the control of the company and the company and the company and the company and the

The New York cases were those of John D. Rockefeller, plaintiff in error, vs. the United States, and the New York Trust Company and Edith Hale Harkness, executors of William L. Harkness, plaintiffs in error vs. William H. Edwards, collector of revenue for the ness, executors of William L. Harkness, plaintiffs in error vs. William H. Edwards, collector of revenue for the Second District of New York. Justice Pitney delivered the opinion of the court, which covered the two cases, and also delivered the opinion in the third case from the Court of Claims, which was that of the United States vs. S. W. Phellis, a stockholder of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Powder Company of New Jersey.

The cases from New York arose from the assessment of income tax based on certain distributions of corporate stock to Rockefeller and to Harkness.

The Prairie Oil and Gas Company and the Ohio Oil Company in 1914, in order to get around regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Federal Trade Commission determined that their pipe line properties should be owned and operated by a separate corporation. The Prairie Oil and Gas Company organized the (Continued on page six)

Theater Crowds Witness

From Temperance Union

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—A document more than a mile in length and containing the signatures of 199,531 American women, including presidents of national women's organizations representing a combined membership of 2256,634, was presented to Secretary of State Hughes to-day by Miss Anna A. Gordon, national president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The paper expresses the gratitude of these women to the President for calling the Conference on the Limitation of Armament, and their prayers that its purposes may be achieved.

The document was wound about 3500 and tied with white ribbons. Its exact length is 6,011 feet. It was circulated, signed and forwarded to Washington within one month.

Torka's New Ltd., "The EVERGLADES."
Now in effect. Lv. New York, Penn. Station, 12:15 A. M. Thru sleepers to principal points 3 other Florida trains yie Atlantic Coast Lino, 1246 B'way, N.Y.—Advt.

Four Basic

Door, Territorial Integrity, Full Opportunity, No Special Privileges

Disputed Provinces | Attention Called to Are Not Mentioned

fied"; Idea Not Clear to Chinese Delegates

By Thomas Steep

the situation by the American Secre- ation of all the powers.

Phellis Must Pay on Div- It was, however, not alone, for even in the first degree the statistics and delegation, the delegates from Great British dead constituted a pledge of idends Received in Form the citations presented in the address Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Japan, future support that France should not of Corporation Shares of the Premier of France to demon- Holland and Portugal, sitting as a comstrate the grave character of the Euro- mittee of the whole to consider Pacific Will Affect Other Firms solicitude entertained in France for their countries to-day to four basic the comment of Italy's spokesman pean situation and the grounds for and Far Eastern questions, pledged statement was also to be detected in the permanence of peace and the se- principles which aim not only to apply Senator Schanzer, who without mennew facts concerning the finances of Two Supreme Justices Cast curity of the republic which were the the policies of the open door and terri-Dissenting Votes; Trans- most impressive to thoughtful minds. torial integrity to China, but to provide under arms made a comparison, neverfer Held Reorganization | Convincing as these statements were not that France cannot hastily and without barrassed opportunity to development now numbers 200,000 and is soon to be assurance lay down her arms, they were and maintain for herself an effective decreased still further.

To use influence to establish effectually "equal opportunity for the commerce and industry of all nations throughout the territory of China."

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rights of the subjects or citizens of
friendly states" and from countenancing action "inimical to the security of such states."

Consideration of China's ten claims,

Consideration of China's ten claims, which embrace a demand for the expulsion of foreign control and for absolute autonomy in the management of her postoffices, railroads and customs, is to be resumed by the committee tomorrow with a view of taking up the Chinese questions one by one on the basis of the four principles.

Action Declared Unanimous When Mr. Root's resolution had been amended after a brief discussion all the delegates present announced to Sec-

here in perfect operation. Material limitation is possible, Mr. Balfour thinks, because moral disarmament has the delegates present announced to Secretary Hughes, who presided, that they concurred, the only absentees being Baron Shidehara, the Japanese Ambassador, who is ill, and Signor Filippo Medda, of the Italian delegation. The action was declared to be unanimous.

As soon as a statement of the basic principles was issued these questions were raised: "Does 'the territory of China,' as mentioned in the principles, mean China exclusive of territory now occupied by foreign powers, such as Shantung, Manchuria and Mongolia?" and "are only questions to To Ear of All the World limitation is possible, Mr. Balfour thinks, because moral disarmament has already been acomplished. There are no causes of disagreement between the chief naval powers. They neither fear one another nor distrust one another. They are celebrating a love feast. Great Britain is happy and satisfied with her existing naval strength. Japan is almost satisfied, but would like a few ships in addition. The United States has no ambition for naval supremacy. The moral situation, therefore, justifies the material reduction of naval force on the part of these three great maritime powers.

This is of most happy augury. It would imply that, all being satisfied, there is nothing left to be done but to write the final act of the conference, refrain from pressing disarmament upon France, terminate the negotiation and all go home to enjoy a Christmas dinner, when every delegate might assure his fellow countrymen that his country has won a great diplomatic as Shantung, Manchuria and Mongolia?" and "are only questions to come before the conference which relate to the future, thus leaving the statu quo undebatable?"

Some of the Chinese delegates were Touch of the Chinese delegates were Touch of the Countinued on page four)

To Ear of All the World

That neighbor of whom he spoke was well understood by the Premier's audience to be Germany. In fact, although Germany is not represented at Countinued on page four)

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Allies Pledge Aid to France **Enunciated In Any Crisis**

Resolution Pledges Open Britain's Spokesman Alludes to Readiness to Give Another Million Lives to Kill Kaiserism

Italian Army's Cut

ees America Never Could Ignore Tri - Color Plea

By Boyden Sparkes

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 .- Aristide

Perhaps the Senators and Representatives in the galleries who applauded wildly on that day when so much history was made anticipated an announcement with respect to land forces equally startling would follow when the subject was introduced to-day by the American Secretary of State. If so, they were disappointed. With reference to naval forces and the troublesome Far Eastern question, he said:

"I think I am justified in saying that our expectations with respect to the expedition and thoroughness of our consideration of these matters already have been more than realized."

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Then he spoke of land armament, told how the United States had reduced its force of 4,200,000 that was under arms when the armistice was signed to 160,000 men, and invited M. Briand to begin the discussion.

The French Premier paused three times to give the interpretor, M. Camerlynck, an opportunity to translate his remarks into English. At first M. Briand spoke in a low tone, which could be heard easily. As he advanced through his message he became more and more passionate, at times pounding his first on the table, at other times tensing his fingers until they resembled talons, and all the time struggling to

Hungry Mob of Men and Women Storms Food Shops in Berlin

Shidehara's Illness May

Keep Him From Parley

Overwork Caused Nervous Collapse, Now Complicated by Malaria

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 (By The Associated Press).—The condition of Baron Shidehara, the Japanese Ambassador, who has been till for several days, has not shown the improvement which had been expected, it was learned to-night, and although his condition is not serious he may be unable to resume his work as a delegate to the Washington conference.

His illness was caused by overwork and a nervous collapse, which has been complicated by malaria. As a result of the illness the responsibility of the Japanese delegation has devolved upon Admiral Baron Kato, who had counted upon Baron Shidehara to attend to diplomatic questions.

In 'the circumstances Admiral Kato is tu' ing for diplomatic assistance to M. Leanihara, the Vice-Minister to M. Leanihara, the Vice-Minister to M. Leanihara, the Vice-Minister to Manager of the Manager strikers on the release of the trabiume Copyrisht, 1921, New York Tribune Inc.

BERLIN, Nov. 21.—A hunger rict at Halle and the surrounding country where the Communists have issued a call for a general strike. The Communist press is seeking to provice a compel the government to release the Communist outbreak in the leading where the Communist press is seeking to provice a country-wide walk-out in an effort to compel the government to release the to-day, a large crowd of men and women raiding provision shops, smash-ing the windows and demanding relief from the increasing costs of living. The demonstration, while short lived, caused the merchants in the leading where the Communists outbreak. The Manger to compel the government to release the Communist outbreak. The Majority Socialists and the randed unions are issuing manifestoes, urging the workers to remain calm in the face of the rapidly developing economic crisis, and it is hoped order will be maintained.

"Voerwaerts," however, warns this is possible only through the property classes and foreing wage increases through overnment intervention.

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tains alarming elements.

The Communists again are becoming active, and their leaders and their press are calling on the workers for direct action against employers and the government. The danger of another Communist outbreak is recognized by the government, which is preparing for eventualities, particularly in Central Germany, the scene of the Communist poured a glass of water on a Centrist's head, while another sought to assault President Weinert.

Root Program to Save China Defined in Four Proposals

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 .- The Root program for the protection China, which was adopted to-day by the Conference on the Limita-

It is the firm intention of the powers attending this conference hereinafter mentioned, to wit., the United States of America, Belgium, the British Empire, France, Italy, Japan, The Netherlands

(1) To respect the sovereignty, the independence and the territorial and administrative integrity of China.

(2) To provide the fullest and most unembarrassed opportunity to China to develop and maintain for herself an effective and

(3) To use their influence for the purpose of effectually establishing and maintaining the principle of equal opportunity for the commerce and industry of all nations throughout the territory

(4) To refrain from taking advantage of the present conditions in order to seek special rights or privileges which would abridge the rights of the subjects or citizens of friendly states and from countenancing action inimical to the security of such states.

Text of Briand's Plea Before Arms Council Germany by Aristide Briand, Premier of France, at to-day's session

German War Menace Still Stalks at Our Door, French pointed to France's steps toward Premier Declares, Asserting She Can Mobilize Between 6 and 7 Million To-morrow

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 (By The Associated Press).-Premier

myself would be more pleasant than to be about to tell you this: We bring here sacrifices to the fullest extent possible. We have our own security insured. We lay down arms. We should be so happy to be able to make that gesture in order to participate in the final disarmament of the world.

80-Year Pact Bared
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years the introduced has performed. The proper of the Contract these of the contract the contract these of the contract these of the contract the contract these of the contract these of

No Hatred in Our Hearts

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That is the physical shall be proved to you. And I will also the proved to you. And I will also the proved to you. And I have the right to say to you that in Europe, and to you were a such conditions of peace. But, first rail, we have no right to be able to prove it to you. And I have the right to say to you that in Europe, and to you we warm, and they shared our life, and they have not right to we should be a succusaged by our weakness.

I am now staying in a country many of the men of which have already the great of the men of which have already the provision of the

entangled barriers and frontiers of Europe. Here you live in an immense expanse of space. You do not know any factions on your own land. You have nothing to fear. So that it is rather difficult for some of you—to realize what the conditions at present prevailing in Europe are after war and victory.

"I quite admit that every citizen of the United States should come and tell me this: The war is won. Peace is signed, Germany has reduced her army materiel has been destroyed. What is it that prevents peace from now reigning in Europe? Why is it that France keeps such a considerable army, abundantly supplied with war materiel?

Peace Prayer of Frenchmen "Of course, in saying this only certify people have got something at the "Continued sea act sage)"

Same Designs Are Nurtured

"But, gentlemen, there is another Germany, a Germany which has not changed her mind and to which the last war has taught no lesson. That least war has taught no lesson. That less the same designs which she entertained before cupations and she cherishes the same precocupations and she cherishes the same precocupations as the Hohenzollerns did. And how can we close our eyes to this? How can we ignore this state of this? How can we ignore this state of the state of the Germans, or certain germans, and the evolution which is taking place. And, more than that, we underseed certain attempts to return to the state of things. Nobody (continued sea act sage)

Berlin Held **Still Menace** To Security

Germany Must "Disarm Morally" Before Peril to Neighbor Disappears, Premier Tells Council

Britain to Cling To Japanese Pact

China Removed as Source of Dispute; Disarming on Land Improbable

By Carter Field

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 .- Rethis time, was placed squarely on mier of France, at to-day's session of the armament conference. He cutting her army in half, but saw no possibility of further reductions until Germany disarmed morally.

Arthur J. Balfour, for the Brit-

of resolutions drafted by Elihu

Times Sq. Subway Suicide Overwork Caused Nervous Col-